

Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award

Activity Report 2015 - 2016

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

The Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel is established under the *Bravery Award Act* and its membership is appointed by the Lieutenant- Governor in Council. This report covers the activity of the Review Panel from April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016. My signature is on behalf of the Review Panel and is indicative of our accountability for actual results reported herein.

Sincerely,



BILL JAMES

Chief of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary
And Chair of the Bravery Award Review Panel

OVERVIEW

The Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery is one of the elements of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's honours system. It was established via the *Bravery Award Act* for the purpose of recognizing citizens of the Province whose life and safety have been risked while giving assistance to another person.

Any resident of Newfoundland and Labrador is eligible to be nominated for a Bravery Award. Incidents for which persons have been nominated for the Bravery Award include, as examples, rendering assistance to an individual in danger of drowning or perishing in a fire.

The Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel is appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council as per section 4.(1) of the *Bravery Award Act*. Current membership is as follows:

- Bill Janes, Chief of Police, The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary
- Tracy Hardy, Assistant Commissioner B Division, Royal Canadian Mounted Police
- Derek Simmons, Fire Commissioner and Director of Fire Services, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador

The Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council is the secretary to the Review Panel. The Review Panel meets as required.

MANDATE

The Review Panel receives its mandate from section 4 of the *Bravery Award Act*. Specifically, it is mandated to:

- Accept and consider nominations of persons eligible for the Bravery Award; and
- Recommend to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council the names of those persons who are eligible to receive the Bravery Award.

VISION

The Review Panel's vision is appropriate recognition of citizens of the Province whose life and safety have been risked while giving assistance to another person.

The Bravery Award Review Panel has a very specific mandate to accept and consider nominations of persons eligible for the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery and make recommendations to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. As such, the Bravery Award Review Panel has not developed a mission or goals. The Bravery Award Review Panel reports annually on its activity toward the objective detailed below.

OBJECTIVE

By March 31, 2016, the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery Review Panel, where appropriate, will have made recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor in Council regarding recipients of the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery.

MEASURE

Recommendations are made to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council regarding the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery.

INDICATORS

- Meetings held as required.
- Considered nominations made for the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery.
- Provide, where appropriate, recommendations to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

ACTIVITIES

- Receipt of nominations for the Bravery Award are ongoing. During the reporting period insufficient nominations were received, therefore no meetings were required to be held in the reporting period.